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## ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF ARCHIVES AND HISTORY ANNOUNCES RETURN OF SATURDAY HOURS IN ITS EBSCO RESEARCH ROOM BEGINNING IN OCTOBER 2019

Montgomery, AL (09/16/19) – The Alabama Department of Archives and History (ADAH) announced today that its EBSCO Research Room will be open to the public <u>every</u> Saturday beginning Saturday, October 5, 2019. This change follows a decade of the research facility being open only one Saturday per month.

With funding recommended by Governor Ivey and appropriated by the State Legislature, the EBSCO Research Room will provide services to the public Tuesday through Saturday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. This state-of-the art research facility, located inside the ADAH in Montgomery, provides access to the ADAH's extensive records collections, free use of online resources such as Ancestry and Fold3, and guidance from the agency's staff of expert research archivists.

"Our job in the Research Room is to make available to the public our numerous collections of Alabama records, so we are thrilled to begin opening again every Saturday. It has been a goal for many years that has finally come to fruition," said Nancy Dupree, ADAH Reference Coordinator. "With the return of Saturday hours, we will be able to better serve the public. Whether they are searching for family history or doing academic or historical research, all are welcome!"

Access to the resources found in the EBSCO Research Room is always free.

The Alabama Department of Archives and History is the state's government-records repository, a special-collections library and research facility, and home to the Museum of Alabama, the state history museum. It is located in downtown Montgomery, directly across the street from the State Capitol. The Archives and Museum are open Monday through Saturday, 8:30 to 4:30. The EBSCO Research Room is open Tuesday through Saturday, 8:30 to 4:30, beginning in October. To learn more, visit www.archives.alabama.gov or call (334) 242-4364.

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